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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF :  
OTANI KENICHI ET AL : ATTN: APPLICATION DIVISION  
SERIAL NO: NEW U.S. APPLICATION :  
(Based on PCT/JP99/02367)  
FILED: HEREWITH :  
FOR: MOLDED ARTICLE :

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Prior to a first examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified  
application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 16, please replace the paragraph at prenumbered lines 6-8, with the following  
new paragraph:

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In detail, the lid 18 is made separately from the molded article 10. It is fixed to the  
molded article 10 via the linking part 31' having the hinge 31 which is provided on the lid 18.  
The structure of the lid 18 is the same as in the second embodiment.

Page 17, please replace the paragraph at prenumbered lines 6-8, with the following  
new paragraph: